

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
May 17, 2021**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of School District #90, Cook County, Illinois, was called to order in the Roosevelt Middle School Multipurpose Room, 7560 Oak Avenue, River Forest, Illinois, on May 17, 2021, at 7:06 p.m.

The following Board Members responded present on roll call:

ROLL CALL

Mrs. Barbara Hickey, President
Ms. Stacey Williams, Vice President
Dr. Nicole Thompson, Secretary (via Zoom)
Mr. Cal Davis (via Zoom)
Mr. Richard Moore (via Zoom)
Mrs. Kathleen Avalos
Mrs. Sarah Eckmann (via Zoom)

Administrators present:

Dr. Ed Condon, Superintendent
Dr. Alison Hawley, Director of Curriculum
and Instruction (via Zoom)
Dawne Simmons, Communications Coordinator (via Zoom)

Recording Secretary: Anthony Cozzi, Director of Finance and
Facilities

Community present (via Zoom): The number of community
participants on zoom was 13.

Mrs. Hickey welcomed visitors and asked Ms. Simmons for written
comments from the public received in advance of the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Mrs. Avalos that the
Board of Education approve the agenda as presented.

**AGENDA
APPROVED**

On call of the roll, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey,
Mrs. Avalos, Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Eckmann

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Communications

A thank you note was received from Anthony Cozzi regarding a
death in his family.

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education approve the Consent Agenda to include the following:

CONSENT
AGENDA
APPROVED

April payrolls totaling \$927,956.42, Board payments relating to payrolls totaling \$373,024.80 and accounts payable totaling \$495,583.76.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Eckmann, Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Hickey, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Ms. Williams, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

Board Committee Reports were as follows:

Education

No report was given.

Personnel

No report was given.

Policy

No meeting was held.

Finance

No report was given.

Equity

A meeting was held at which updates from all the representatives was discussed along with refocusing of goals for the next school year.

Facilities

No meeting was held.

Communications

No meeting was held.

Outside Meetings were as follows:

Council of Governments

No meeting was held.

Community Council

No meeting was held.

Youth Network Council

A meeting was held at which pandemic recovery updates were discussed.

Board Liaison District PTO Council

No meeting was held.

Inclusiveness Advisory Board

A meeting was held at which specific activities that the members identified as being of value were discussed.

River Forest Civic Association

No meeting was held.

Citizen Corp Council

No meeting was held.

West Cook Governing Board (IASB)

No meeting was held.

ED-RED

A meeting was held at which proposed TIF legislation (possibly reducing maximum term to ten years and tightening the definition of a blighted area) was discussed.

River Forest Sub-Committee on Collaboration

No meeting was held.

Positive Youth Development

No meeting was held.

District Calendar Review

Dr. Condon discussed the calendar affecting Board members for the months of May and June.

Superintendent's Report

"Math for All" Grant – Supported Professional Development Program –

Dr. Hawley gave a presentation about the Math for All: High Quality Math Education to Support All Students grant. She credited the District's Instructional Specialist, Nancy Mueller, who proposed the program idea to the Administration. The program would be geared towards struggling math learners and would also be funded through Education Innovation and Research Program, which would make it cost free to the District. She went on to describe it as a two year professional development program, helping to develop and refine a collaborative lens that teachers look through to identify students' strengths and weaknesses. She spoke in detail about the workshop/cycle format and related teacher assignments as well as the benefits of participating in the program. A lengthy Board discussion ensued.

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board of Education approve the “Math for All” Grant – Supported Professional Development Program as presented contingent on finalizing a satisfactory data sharing agreement.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Ms. Williams, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Hickey, Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Eckmann, Mr. Davis, Dr. Thompson

Nays: none

The motion carried.

“MATH FOR ALL”
GRANT –
SUPPORTED
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT
PROGRAM
APPROVED

ASBO International’s Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting – Dr. Condon spoke about the Certificate of Excellence. He and the Board thanked Mr. Cozzi for his continued efforts in this area.

IASB 2021 Joint Annual Conference – November 19-21, 2021 – Dr. Condon spoke about the 2021 Joint Annual Conference as it is scheduled to be back in person this fall. Also included in this year’s conference is a process for Board members to submit proposed resolutions for legislative consideration.

Enrollment Update – Dr. Condon gave the current enrollment update. He noted that the figures are down approximately eighty students from last year, mainly due to family decisions related to COVID.

Roosevelt Vaccination Event for 12-15 Year Old Students – Dr. Condon gave a brief summary of the scheduled Roosevelt vaccination event. He noted that those participating are predominately Roosevelt students. He thanked the building administration and staff as well as representatives from Jewel/Osco for their efforts. Mrs. Hickey also thanked everyone involved.

It was moved by Ms. Williams and seconded by Mrs. Avalos that the Board of Education move into closed session in order to discuss 1) the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body to determine its validity and 2) collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mrs. Avalos, Mrs. Hickey, Ms. Williams, Dr. Thompson, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Eckmann, Mr. Davis

Nays: none

The motion carried and the Board moved into closed session at approximately 7:53 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board returned to open session with the same members present at approximately 8:41 p.m.

Personnel

It was moved by Mr. Moore and seconded by Ms. Williams that the Board of Education approve the Personnel Report as presented.

On roll call, the vote was as follows:

Ayes: Dr. Thompson, Mrs. Eckmann, Mr. Davis, Mr. Moore, Mrs. Avalos, Ms. Williams, Mrs. Hickey

Nays: None

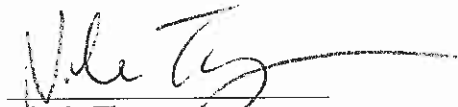
The motion carried.

PERSONNEL
REPORT
APPROVED

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Mr. Moore and unanimously carried that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:42 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT


Barbara Hickey
President


Nicole Thompson
Secretary

